# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR-91) LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES (UPDATE)

**DOWNEY -** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the following lane and ramp closures for the first phase of the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lane reconstruction and pavement replacement project on the east- and westbound Artesia Freeway (SR-91), from Downey Avenue in Bellflower to Atlantic Avenue in Long Beach for pavement work. The following overnight closures schedule will be in effect, weather permitting. At least one lane will be open to traffic in each direction at all times.

#### Westbound SR-91, Tuesday, September 5

• 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. – up to four regular use between Myrtle Avenue and Harbor Freeway (SR-110)

## Eastbound SR-91, Tuesday, September 5

- 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. up to four regular use lanes between Harbor Freeway (SR-110) and Downey Avenue.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Central Avenue. on- and off-ramps
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Alameda Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Acacia Avenue off-ramp.
- 8 p.m. until 9 a.m. Santa Fe Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.

### Eastbound SR-91, Friday, September 8

- 7 p.m. until 12 p.m. up to four regular use lanes from Harbor Freeway (SR-110) to Downey Avenue.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Central Avenue. on- and off-ramps
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Alameda Avenue on- and off-ramp.



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## Eastbound SR-91, September 8 (cont'd)

- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Acacia Avenue off-ramp.
- 8 p.m. until 9 a.m. Santa Fe Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 6 p.m. until 12 p.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.

#### Westbound SR-91

- 6 p.m. until 12 p.m. up to four regular use lanes between Long Beach Freeway (I-710) Harbor Freeway (SR-110).
- 8 p.m. until 10 a.m. connector to southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710).
- 7 p.m. until 12 p.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Alameda Street/Santa Fe Avenue off-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 12 p.m. Acacia Avenue on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 12 p.m. Wilmington Avenue on- and off-ramp.

### Eastbound SR-91, Saturday, September 9

- 7 p.m. until 12 p.m. up to four regular use lanes between Long Beach Freeway (I-710) and Myrtle Avenue.
- 8 p.m. until 12 p.m. connectors to north- and southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710).
- 9 p.m. until 1 p.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.
- 9 p.m. until 12 p.m. up to two regular use lanes between Long Beach Boulevard and Long Beach Freeway (I-170).
- 9 p.m. until 1 p.m. Santa Fe Avenue on-ramp.

SR-91 is one of the most heavily traveled freeways in Los Angeles County and was also one of the first freeways to offer carpool lanes. As a result of heavy use, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear. New pavement will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Completion of the entire project, which covers SR-91 from Downey Avenue to Vermont Avenue, is fall 2008.

Caltrans advises motorists to "Slow For The Cone Zone."

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